

Calvary Cemetery Maintenance Building Relocation
CEQA Analysis for 15303 Class 3(c) Exemption

CEQA Guidelines Section 15300 includes a list of classes of projects which have been determined not to have a significant effect on the environment and shall, therefore, be exempt from the provisions of CEQA.

The Calvary Cemetery Maintenance Building Relocation Project qualifies as a Class 3 categorical exemption. Class 3(c) exemption is intended for the construction and location of limited numbers of new, small facilities or structures.

Class 3(c) provides the following examples of projects which would be exempt:

A store, motel, office, restaurant or similar structure not involving the use of significant amounts of hazardous substances, and not exceeding 2500 square feet in floor area. In urbanized areas, the exemption also applies to up to four such commercial buildings not exceeding 10,000 square feet in floor area on sites zoned for such use if not involving the use of significant amounts of hazardous substances where all necessary public services and facilities are available and the surrounding area is not environmentally sensitive.

The project meets the Class 3(c) exemptions for the following reasons:

1. The Project is located in the City of Citrus Heights, an urban area.
2. The property zoning is Special Planning Area which allows the operation of a cemetery and associated uses.
3. The Project will not store or use a significant amount of hazardous materials
4. All necessary public services are available within the area.
5. The Project is not in an environmentally sensitive area
6. The Project is for two buildings which total less than the 10,000 square foot maximum allowance.
7. The buildings will be used for a maintenance office, storage of equipment, vehicles and non-hazardous materials and for the operation and maintenance of the cemetery.